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Attorney Docket No. 03327.2350

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Masso Naito et al. ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
Application No.: 10/581,429 ) Examiner: Unassigned  
Filed: June 2, 2006 )  
For: ION BEAM DEVICE ) Confirmation No.: Unassigned

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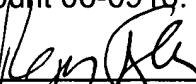
**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application  
as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.

**Attachments** to this amendment include **26 sheets of formal drawings**.